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In re Application of: Makower, et al.)
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For: Methods and Apparatus For)
Transmyocardial Direct Coronary)
Revascularization)

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**REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE
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Sir:

The previously submitted amendment was prepared in the format that was provided by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the "Revised Notice" dated February 13, 2003 (copy attached). Thus, the amendment is believed to have complied with all requirements of the applicable regulations. Nonetheless, to advance prosecution of this application without further delay, please substitute the following for the previously filed amendment/response:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 23 of this paper.